

OGC 69-0903

14 May 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, DDI Executive Staff

SUBJECT: Proposed Volunteer Work of Staff Employee  
in U. S. Senator's Office

STAT 1. You have requested our opinion in regard to whether [redacted] a staff employee of the Agency, may be employed in the office of U. S. Senator [redacted] as a volunteer. According to his Approval Request, the work would consist of "collation of reference material for legislative work and similar tasks." You have asked whether such activity would violate provisions of the Hatch Act. STAT

2. It is our opinion, without reference to the propriety of an Agency employee working on the Hill, that such employment would not violate the Hatch Act per se provided that the following conditions are met:

a. The Senator is advised that the volunteer is an employee of CIA.

b. The employee reads and becomes familiar with the Hatch Act and related statutes with regard to political activity.

c. The employee understands that it is his responsibility to refrain from political activity as set forth in such statutes. STAT

[redacted]  
Assistant General Counsel

cc: OLC

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OFFICE OF THE DD/L  
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DATE: 15 May 69

TO: ~~Mr. Proctor~~/Mr. Smith

File

FROM: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: Status Report on OER Employee's  
Request for Permission to Work in  
Senator Cooper's Office

REMARKS:

In response to my request, Larry Houston's office rendered the opinion that [REDACTED] would not technically be violating the Hatch Act, but that part time work in a Senator's office was an improper activity for an Agency employee.

Following this, [REDACTED] of Security talked to Col. White. It was decided that [REDACTED] would talk to [REDACTED] and explain why his request could not be approved. The disapproval would be on the grounds of propriety.

I informed Ed Allen.

This matter should have been handled within DDI command channels. The request for outside activity went from the OER Admin Officer to the Office of Security without reference to OER's front office. [REDACTED] should have recognized the delicate issue raised by the request and sought guidance from his Office Director before approval and routing outside the Directorate.

Jack, You might note this at our Friday Morning Meeting with the Office Chief.

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